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St. James's, May 30.

THIS Evening John Charles Count of Cufstein, Envoy-Extraordinary from his Imperial Majesty, (introduced by the Right Honourable Mr. Secretary Boyle, and conducted by Sir Charles Cottrel, Master of the Ceremonies) had a Publick Audience of Her Majesty, to condole the Death of his Royal Highness Prince George of Denmark.

Venice, May 25. N. S. On Monday last the 41 Electors sent a Deputation to Signior Foscarini, to desire he would accept of the Dignity of Doge of the Republick; but he positively refused the Offer, and declared he would go into a Convent, rather than take upon him the Administration of Publick Affairs. Upon receiving this Answer, the Electors proceeded to a new Choice, which fell by 40. out of the 41 Votes, upon Signior Giovanni Cornaro, Brother to the Cardinal Bishop of Padua, and Father to his Excellency the Ambassador from this State to Great Britain. The Day after the Election, his Serenity, accompanied by three Noblemen, the Boy who drew the Balls for the Election sitting in the same Machine, was carried out of the Church, round the Place of St. Mark, into his own Palace. On the way thither, his Serenity and the Noblemen his Relations threw Medals among the People, with Inscriptions of his Name: When he had ascended to the top of the Stairs of the Palace, he was there crowned by the Procurator-Treasurer; after which his Serenity made a short Speech, and ordered a great quantity of Bread and Wine to be distributed amongst the People.

Vienna, May 25. N. S. The Prince of Lorrain, Bishop of Osnabrug, arrived here two Days since, together with his Brother the Abbot of Stablo, in the Country of Liege. They are both entertained in Apartments of the Emperor's Palace. Yesterday Cardinal Lamberg arrived here, and is to go in few Days to Baden, for the Recovery of his Health. Advices from the Frontiers of Hungary say, that the Hungarian Parties are frequently seen on the Banks of the Leyta, on this side the Danube; and on the other side they make their Excursions even to the Banks of the Morava. Prince Adam of Liechtenstein has sent down his Baggage by Water to Presburg, whither he himself intends to repair within few Days, to assist with Count Traun at the Diet of Hungary, in the Quality of Commissioners from the Emperor.

Hague, June 8. N. S. A Courier arrived here last Wednesday in the Morning, and brought Dispatches from the French Court to Monsieur Rouillé, who has since declared, that his Master cannot agree to the Preliminary Articles for treating of a General Peace, as lately settled here with his Ministers. Monsieur Rouillé had a Conference on Thursday with the Ministers of the Allies, wherein he explained at large several Difficulties his most Christian Majesty objects to those Preliminaries; but was answered, That the Alterations his Master would have made were so essential to the Treaty, that the Allies could not think of admitting them, and therefore were resolved to insist upon what had been already agreed to, and ratified by some of their Principals. It was with much Surprize, and not without Indignation, that this News was received here, after the Preliminaries had been debated, and solemnly concluded with the chief Minister of the French King, who took them with him, in order to be returned with his Master's Approbation; and nothing less was expected, than that Monsieur Rouillé, who staid here, should have received Orders from the French Court to sign and approve what had been done, and to proceed to finish what remained. The Result of the Conference, and all the Proceedings, have been reported to the States General, who have unanimously resolved to adhere to what has been already stipulated in the Preliminary Treaty; and as they think the Objections on the Part of France tend to render the Intent of Establishing a General Peace in Europe fruitless, they have shown great Vigour and Firmness in rejecting any Alteration offered to be made in the Preliminaries, especially in some Points of the greatest Consequence, as the Condition of evacuating the Monarchy of Spain, the razing Hunningen, and other Forts on the Rhine, the Barrier for the Duke of Savoy, and what concerns the two late Electors of Bavaria and Cologn. They have accordingly ordered this their Resolution to be communicated to the several Provinces, desiring them to persist in their usual Zeal, Courage and Unanimity for the Common Cause, as the only Means, by the Blessing of God, to bring the Enemy to hearken to such Terms as were proper and necessary for settling a firm, lasting and general Peace in Europe. And as it was thought requisite that no Time should be lost in opening the Campaign, the Deputies for the Affairs of the War, with the Deputies of the Council of State, were directed to take Care of every thing that should be convenient and necessary for carrying on the Operations of the Campaign with the utmost Vigour imaginable. The Courier who brought the Dispatches to Monsieur Rouillé, brought likewise Letters from the Marquis de Torcy to the Duke of Marlborough, the Prince of Savoy, and the Pensionary, all importing that the King his Master could not comply with the Preliminary Treaty, as agreed to by him. The Letter to Prince Eugene of Savoy was delivered to him at Brussels; and his Highness immediately thereupon sent Orders to the Troops which were furthest off to advance, and has taken care that the Army should be assembled the 12th, between the Schelde and the Lys, not far from Ghent. His Grace the Duke of Marlborough intends to set out from hence to Morrow, in order to be at the Army on Tuesday next. Mr. Walpole returned hither from England on Wednesday last in the Evening, with her Majesty's Ratification of the Preliminary Treaty. The Pensionary has desired the Ministers of the Allies to meet to Morrow in the Chamber of Treves, that he may inform them of what has passed in this Matter, and of the manner in which France has proceeded; which, it is not doubted, will be resented by the Confederates in the highest manner, and that they will all concur in redoubling their Efforts to bring the Enemy to Reason.

Dublin, May 24. Since the Account we received of the Speedwell's having retaken the Ruth of London, a West-India Ship valued at 25000 Pounds, and a small French Sloop of 4 Guns and 40 Men, we have Advice from Capt. Saunders in the Shoreham, that on the 19th Instant, off the Durzeys, he saw a Privateer which he chased, and in three Hours he came up with her and took her, she is called l'Esperance of St. Malo, of 12 Guns and 80 Men; and on Sunday last the Hampshire, Capt. Maynard Commander, returning from his Cruize, took a Small Privateer of 8 Guns and 60 Men, and brought her into this Port.

Whereas by a late Advertisement in the Gazette, all the Men belonging to Her Majesty's Ship the Royal Anne Galley, building at Woolwich, were required by the Lord High-Admiral to repair on Board Her Majesty's Ship Orford at that Place, on Monday the 6th of this present Month of June, his Lordship is pleased hereby to give Notice, That it is in order to their assisting in fitting up the Rigging of the said Ship, and doing other necessary Works, for the more speedy dispatching her to Sea when she shall be launched, according to the Directions of the Rt. Hon. the Marquis of Carmarthen, it being not intended that any of the said Men shall be removed to other Ships; and therefore his Lordship does strictly require